KETTERING TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

Item No FC21/037

Committee:-	Finance and Governance
Date:-	19 th October 2021
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Report Title:-	APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS
Wards Affected:-	All

1. Purpose of Report

To advise on the appointment of external auditors

2. Recommendations

2.1. The Committee is asked to note the appointment of PKF Littlejohn LLP as external auditors for the Council. .

3. Information

- 3.1. Under national audit regulations, Smaller Authorities Audit Appointments Ltd (SAAA) is appointed by the Secretary of State to appoint external auditors for each town and parish council, unless that Council has opted out of these arrangements.
- 3.2. PKF Littlejohn LLP, (Of 15, Westferry, Canary Wharf, London E14 4PD) has been appointed as external auditors for this financial year, for KTC. Their audit will begin in April 2022.
- 3.3. There is a set schedule of fees, and the cost of our external audit will be £400.
- 3.4. The Council will need to indicate if there is any conflict of interest arising from this appointment; for example that a member or a close relative of a member, is an employee of PKF Littlejohn.
- 4. Consultation and Engagement;

none

5. Finance, Legal and Resource Implications

The fees will be provided for in next year's budget.

6. Policy Implications

None

Background Papers

Email setting out appointment of PKF Littlejohn 4th October 2021

Regulation 3, Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015.